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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **EXTENDABLE PROTECTIVE AWNING AND MOTOR VEHICLE HAVING A PROTECTIVE AWNING**, the specification of which was filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 12, 2004, Serial No. 10/823,526.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

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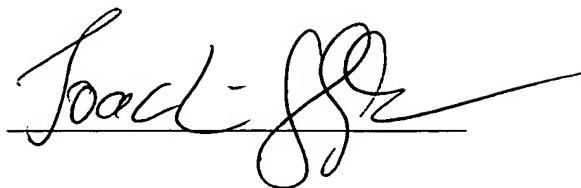
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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge
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like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18
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